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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
JEBU JACOB RAJAN)	: Examiner: H. Vo
Application No.: 09/866,595)	: Group Art Unit: 2655
Filed: May 30, 2001)	: Allowed: February 1, 2006
For: SPEECH PROCESSING SYSTEM)	: Confirmation No.: 4949
	:	: February 27, 2006

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THIRD REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUSLY-FILED
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Applicant received a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due and a Notice of Allowability dated February 1, 2006 in the above-identified application. However, there is a matter that needs to be resolved before the application issues as a patent.

Applicant filed a Fourth Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on March 23, 2004. However, Applicant has not yet received initialed copies of the Forms PTO-1449 submitted with that IDS, indicating that the Examiner considered the information cited therein.

Applicant made written requests for the initialed copies of the Forms PTO-1449 in the papers previously filed in the subject application on November 14, 2005 and May 16, 2005. However, Applicant has still not received the requested copies.

In a telephone conversation with Applicant's undersigned representative on February 23, 2006, the Examiner confirmed that, as shown on PAIR, the PTO's official file of the subject application includes the IDS filed on March 23, 2004 but not the Forms PTO-1449 or the cited references submitted therewith. Accordingly, in the telephone conversation, the Examiner requested that Applicant submit the instant paper, including copies of the missing items, and the Examiner agreed to consider the information cited therein upon his receipt of the same, and to send to Applicant initialed copies of the Forms PTO-1449.

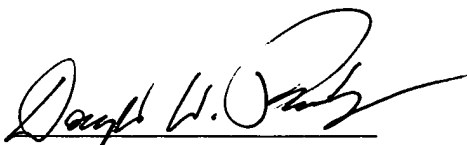
Accordingly, Applicant encloses herewith a complete copy of the IDS filed on March 23, 2004, including the Forms PTO-1449 (three sheets), the references cited therein (other than U.S. patents) and the seven foreign search reports noted therein, and the stamped receipt postcard indicating receipt of the same by the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the information cited in the enclosed IDS, and return initialed copies of the enclosed Forms PTO-1449, indicating that the art cited therein has been considered.

It is noted that the enclosed IDS was originally timely filed on March 23, 2004, prior to the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits in the subject application.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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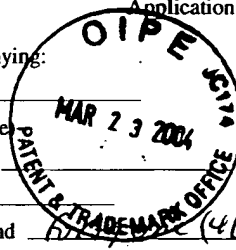
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FOURTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Four United Kingdom Search Reports (dated January 2, 2002, February 1, 2002, February 6, 2002, July 31, 2002, and August 1, 2002) and two European Search Reports (dated November 27, 2003 and December 23, 2003) from related applications, which cite some of the listed documents, are enclosed for the Examiner's convenient reference.

JP 2001/044926 relates to measuring communication quality of a mobile communication system. An English language abstract is enclosed as a concise statement of the relevance of this document.

Applicant would like to note that the article "Bayesian Approach to Parameter Estimation and Interpolation of Time-varying Autoregressive Processes Using the Gibbs Sampler," cited in the EP Search Reports, was previously cited in this application in the

Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 22, 2002. A copy of the article was submitted with that Statement.

Applicant also notes that GB 2 361 339 A is equivalent to WO 00/45375.

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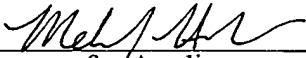
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), since a first Official Action on the merits of the subject application has not yet been issued, neither a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) nor payment of a fee is believed to be required. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialed and returned, indicating that such information has been considered.

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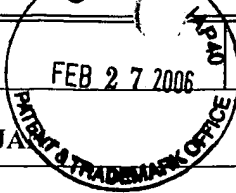
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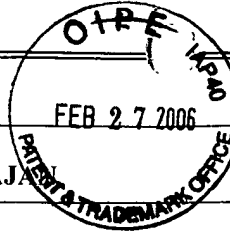
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